

# City of Concord Weekly City Manager Newsletter

May 9, 2014

#### **ROUTE 3 CORRIDOR - PENACOOK VILLAGE IMPROVEMENTS**

The contractor was able to take advantage of the nicer weather this week to continue with the drainage installations on the north side of the bridge in the Penacook Village. Next week will bring the drainage crews southerly to the vicinity of Merrimack Street for more drain work. The electrical contractor is also slated to begin work next week on installing the underground conduit for the street lighting from the bridge heading south to Boudreau Square. Utility companies will continue to relocate services and remove overhead wiring in the Village.

#### SEWALLS FALLS BRIDGE

A Request for Proposals (RFP) has been issued for the re-use of the Sewalls Falls Bridge. The City is accepting proposals from interested parties for the full re-use or partial re-use of the existing historic High Pratt truss structure of

the bridge. Proposals will be accepted at the Purchasing Division, located at the Combined Operations & Maintenance Facility, 311 North State Street, until 2:00 PM on September 30, 2014, for the sale and re-use of the historic bridge. Complete project documents, including photos and detailed information regarding the bridge, are located on the project website at



<u>www.sewallsfallsbridge.com</u>. A copy of the RFP documents can be found on the City's website at <u>www.concordnh.gov/Purchasing</u>. All proposals received will be considered confidential and not available for public review until after a proposer has been selected.

#### **CATCH BASIN WORK ON MOUNTAIN ROAD**

On Monday, May 12th, the General Services Department will begin working on rebuilding and replacing catch basins on Mountain Road, from Exit 16 to 107 Mountain Road. After the catch basin work has been completed, crews will be working on approximately 17 sewer lateral repairs in the same area. This work is being completed prior to this year's maintenance overlay of Mountain Road. The traveling public should expect delays along Mountain Road for about 4-6 weeks.

#### PARALLEL TAXIWAY CONSTRUCTION

Next week, the contractors will begin to install the storm drain infiltration system for the new Taxiway B for Runway 12/30 at the Concord Municipal Airport. There will be no impact to Airport users.



#### DOG LICENSING



In accordance with NH RSA 466:1, dog licenses should have been renewed in April. If you have not yet licensed your dog, please either mail a payment to renew your dog license to the City Clerk's Office, 41 Green Street, Concord, NH 03301; or stop in to the City Clerk's Office to renew said license in person. Licenses can only be issued if the City Clerk's Office has current rabies vaccination information on file. If you are unsure as to whether or not current rabies information is on file, please inquire via email to cityclerk@concordnh.gov or by calling 225-8500.

#### Licensing fees are as follows:

\$10.00 Non-spayed/Non-neutered

\$ 7.50 Spayed or Neutered

\$ 7.50 Dogs under 8 months old

\$20.00 5+ dogs same owner

\$ 2.00 First dog; owner age 65+

Additional fines and fees will be assessed to those owners who license their dogs after May 31, 2014. A fine of \$25.00 per dog, along with a late fee of \$1.00 per dog, go into effect on June 1st. Please avoid these fines by licensing your dog(s) by the end of May.

The City Clerk's Office is open 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday, with extended hours until 6:00 PM on Thursdays.



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## FREE FOOTBALL CLINIC W/PATRIOTS ALUMNI



For the first time ever in New Hampshire, the New England Patriots Alumni Club will be at Memorial Field in Concord tomorrow, running a <u>free</u> football clinic for boys and girls between the ages of 11 and 14. The clinic will begin at 8:25 AM and walk-in registrations are welcome. Four Patriot players and local high school coaches will be on site.

## MOTHERS PLAY FREE ON SUNDAY AT BMGC



On Mother's Day, your mom or wife can play a <u>free</u> round of golf at Beaver Meadow Golf Course with your paid green fee (carts are additional). Tee times are available now for Sunday. Or consider buying mom a Beaver Meadow gift certificate, available <u>online</u> or at the Pro Shop. Call 228-8954 for more information or for tee times.

#### PROMOTING WATER CONSERVATION

The importance of promoting water conservation has been growing significantly at Concord General Services. Last week, Water Conservation Technician Josh Worthen gave a presentation at the 2014 NHDES Drinking Water Source Protection Conference. The presentation, entitled "Water Conservation in Concord: Protecting Penacook Lake," highlighted Concord's water resource and how the City of Concord works to preserve it through preventative leak detection, partnering with the EPA's WaterSense Program, performing water audits, and informing the public of ways to minimize water consumption.

Josh also represented Concord General Services at this week's Water Fair at the Manchester Water Treatment Plant. Josh showcased underground leak detection

to local children by having them listen to a live leak demonstration model with leak detection correlators through an iPod headset and on a computer that synced the recording through the water van's sound system. For more information on water conservation, visit www.concordnh.gov/water.



#### WALKING SCHOOL BUS

This week, Merrimack Valley School District Safe Routes to School volunteers completed the inaugural "Walking School Bus". There were two walking buses to Penacook Elementary School - one from the Alice Drive neighborhood and one from the Penacook Community Center. The half-mile walk from Alice Drive initially had less than 20 children signed up, but once other children in the neighborhood saw the excitement, the number quickly grew. The initiative ended up with 31 children and six adults.

Safe Routes to School has many goals within our community. A simple walk to school helps to achieve some of these goals and helps students to:

- Reach the recommended goal of 60 minutes of physical activity each day;
- Arrive at school energized and ready to learn;
- Leave the car behind and reduce dependence on fossil fuels:
- Take an active role in their well-being;
- Build a sense of neighborhood;
- Encourage increased parental involvement at school and beyond.

The Merrimack Valley Safe Routes to School Program will continue their *Take a Hike (To School) Thursdays* throughout the school year. For more information, visit www.facebook.com/MVSDSafeRoutesToSchool.